

PRESIDENT WAS NEUTRAL

ARMY OFFICERS OF FUTURE
DEFEAT SHIP COMMANDERS

Wilson stands bareheaded in rain while band plays Star Spangled Banner—Middle, Deened.

NEW YORK, November 27.—Way up yonder at the outer edge of Harlem, on up beyond the tenements to where the Polo Grounds sprawl between the odorous old river and the cliffs, a band suddenly struck up "The Star Spangled Banner" this afternoon.

Rain was falling at the moment. It was a cold rain. It came in straight lines from the clouds. It was a cheerful rain, and penetrating, and it beat down upon the heads of some 14,000 people. It was a rain to guard against with wraps and shelter, but the instant the strains of "The Star Spangled Banner" lifted into the muggy air, the 14,000 people rose to their feet and at least half the crowd bared their brows to the drizzling rain. That was the music that grizzled old army and navy officers and government officials and millionaires and plain citizens and the like—the men of the crowd. And the first man to remove his hat was Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States. It was a title hat, one of the few hats in the assemblage.

Sternly neutral, as always, he stood with the rain falling upon his thinning locks, and he stood, too, until the band had finished. Behind him stood the lady who is presently to be the first lady of the land, Mrs. Norman Taft.

OVERCOULD YOUNGSTERS
ON BOTH SIDES OF FIELD

Behind the commander-in-chief of the army and the navy rose a tier of black overcoated lads, who will one day boss the warships that go down to the sea. Across the way were banked the gray-clad youngsters who will eventually command the land forces of the man who stood there in the rain.

The band stopped. The President and all the other resumed their seats. Then, presumably neutral still, he sat there in the rain and saw his future army officers while his future ship commanders in a game of football by a score of 14 to 0.

The President never did quite escape the rain. Sternly neutral, he changed sides between the halves, and sat with the Army, but his next seat was as open to the sky as the other, and the rain kept up nearly all the afternoon. And in his storm neutral, the President was pretty much alone. Everybody else was very unneutral. Everybody else was inclined one way or the other. Maybe the President himself wasn't really as sternly neutral as his attitude indicated, but a President is presumed to be so at any Army and Navy football game.

The rest of the 14,000 could be just as unneutral as the President. It is no secret that the President is not neutral in any extent, the President probably will go to bed tonight well satisfied that his country is in good hands.

ENTHUSIASM OF THOUSANDS
NOT DAMPENED BY RAIN

Damp and dismal the weather, but it could not dampen the enthusiasm of the 14,000 or the spirits of the lads who came from down the Hudson to meet the boys from Maryland. The result of the game extinguished the gloom in the bosom of the deep-water young men, perhaps, but it put an additional drive to the charge of the soldiers when they rushed the colors at the finish.

So far as the game itself is concerned, the football dope was vindicated. The Army was expected to win, and the Army did win.

It did not win by as large a score as many predicted, perhaps, but it won by a sufficient margin to prove that it has the best football team—and captain—above all else, the soldiers have Oliphant.

Some do not think he may be leading a forlorn hope, nevertheless, or holding a beleaguered fort, or doing one of those many other little things that fall to the lot of a soldier, and if the 14,000 who saw the game today get the tip in time, they will undoubtedly have a small bet on Oliphant's reputation as a football player is no secret. He was expected to be the star today, because he has been the star of so many other games for the Army, and he came up to all expectations. He was a sort of combination Mahan and Barrett of his team.

SOLDIERS SEEM MORE

COMBINED THAN SAILORS

Oliphant scored all the points for his team. He made both touchdowns and kicked both goals from touchdowns. This was his first game against the Navy, as an army captain is not permitted to play his first year against the soldiers. He put in three years at Purdue and was picked as an all-Western back for two years.

The game started in a little late and did not end until long after the electric lights along the 42nd tracks were glowing through the haze.

About 1:30 the Army football squad came on the sopping field and ran through signals in a damp, dispirited manner, and soon afterwards the Army students came swinging into the enclosure behind their band. This stirred up some real enthusiasm. They tramped upon the gridiron, went through a few evolutions, and then filed into the section of the stand facing right field.

Marshall, the Navy star of the Army and Navy game, appeared and got the first big individual cheer of the day.

Shortly before 2 o'clock half a dozen big automobiles came tearing into the field and stopped on the Navy side. President Wilson stepped from one car and took his seat in a box down in front of the section reserved for the Navy students, followed by the other members of his party, which included a delegation of secret-service men. At 2 o'clock the Navy squad came on, with the exception of a big yellow square on the left-field side, where the Navy students were to sit.

"What's the matter with the Navy?" a West Pointer inquired loudly. "Are they afraid of the water?"

ARMY SETS UP ROAR

OF GREETING TO NAVY

Finally a blot of black appeared in one of the entrances under the center field bleachers, and the Army set up a roar of greeting. The Navy had arrived. The 800 students from Annapolis came in with their hand playing a lively air, and after forming in front of the president's box, they moved in their seats in a long line.

Then the two football squads trotted on, and the Navy square suddenly flared into a breaker of yellow color.

Claimants of South Atlantic Championship



Washington and Lee Football Team. From right to left the line reads: Left End James Eard, Left Tackle Ted Shultz, Right Guard Bonard Back Cy Young, Left Half Back Barrett, Full Back John Sorrells, Right Half Back Buck Sweetland.

ing that splashed up vividly against the murky daylight.

The sky was clearing a little—a very little—as the two teams lined up on the wet grass.

Early in the first period, after a couple of exchanges of punts, the Navy swept the ball down into Army territory. Then Coffin kicked, and Craig fumbled the slippery ball, which was recovered by an Army man on the Navy's ten-yard line. A couple of more plays, with Oliphant, the great back of the Army, carrying the ball, put it over for a touchdown, and Oliphant kicked goal.

The Army erupted into seventy-two centimeter sound. The bugles sang mad parades of triumph.

The great noise seemed to be bothering some of the players, but not Oliphant. During the next few minutes he gave a great exhibition of running a broken field, keeping his feet against the Army's muddy grass, and the fierce tackling of the Navy men too. Finally the Army lost the ball on a fumble.

After trying a bit of the open game, the Navy went back to first principle—batter punching in the Army line. Then they used another forward pass, which was successful, and finally Von Heimburg punted over the Army goal. The ball was brought out and delivered over to the Army, who fumbled the first pass, but immediately recovered the ball. Oliphant cut through for a short gain, and then punted out of danger.

BATTLE ENDS WITH RAIL

A NAVY TERRITORY

A run by Oliphant covering twenty yards of the saturated turf in the last stages of the first half, brought the crowd up shrieking. The Army back got the ball close to his own goal line, with Navy's tackle, dipping off his soaked sides at every step. Coffin splashed through for two yards more, and then Coffin kicked. The Navy tried a few ineffectual plays, but the ball back ten yards. Oliphant ran down under a tackle, with a sailor clinging to his neck and then scrambling to his feet and started to run. Still carrying the ball, he did not run more than a few yards, however. There was a brief delay to revive an injured sailor just before the half, and as the trainers ran out from the Annapolis side, half the players sprawled out on their backs on the grass and rested. Mitchell went in for Ford, and Oliphant passed the ball across the Navy front to Redfield for a good gain. Another pass was attempted, but Craig kicked the wet leather out of the air, and ran back a few yards before he was tackled by Redfield. The half ended with the ball well down in Navy territory.

With a mob of uniformed policemen in front of him and with secret-service men on each side, and more policemen behind President Wilson and Mrs. Galt marched across the field as soon as the half closed to a box on the Army side. Huge orchids blazed on the front of Mrs. Galt's coat. The party passed through the Army's line of sentries, and the right field stand. Mr. Galt, who was wearing a top hat, led the little pool of water to dry footing and the crowd cheered wildly. The President smiled at the great throng of Army cadets.

At the opening of the third period the Army had the ball and McEwan kicked off. Craig made the catch and made a wonderful thirty-five-yard return before he was thrown on the fifty-yard line.

Von Heimburg attempted to circle Army's right end and lost five yards. Craig then tried a forward pass, but the Army's forty-yard line caught it on the Navy's twenty-yard line. Coffin made five yards through center, and then a play, Army scored a touchdown when Oliphant, who is given the center for the necessary fifteen yards, Oliphant then kicked an easy goal.

BATTLE TO SCORELESS TIE

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Jackets again punted across the goal. Coffin circled left end for eleven yards, and the right side of the line for another six. Five yards were deducted for offside. Wicker made a first down with an eight-yard skirt of right end. Sanford twice injured and replaced by Scott. Coffin started the up-field march with a five-yard gain, and added four more. A fumble by Scott, and then an aerial flip failed, giving the Ashland the ball on their forty-yard line. Yost, on a double pass, got twelve yards, and Scott, on a triple pass, added six yards. A fumble by Scott, got five yards through center. Privott stopped Richardson. Yost made a first down, with eight yards to go and one minute to play. The first play ran four yards. Captain Coffin, who is given the day by crashing through the line, when he nailed Lancaster for a seven-yard loss. The quarter ended without a score, but the jackets were within good striking distance of the goal.

The Spiders kicked off in the second half. Coffin got the ball and ran it back twenty yards to the forty-yard line, and the Spiders got the ball on a fumble.

Sanford hit the line for eleven yards and Coffin skinned tackle for five yards. Wicker lost the distance on an attempted run. The jackets sneered a forward pass. Richmond kicked, but was offside. They kicked and one of their own men fell on the ball. After it seemed to the spectators that a jacket had touched the ball, the Spiders were penalized, however. Randolph-Macon punted, and Mac Coy brought it back thirty yards.

Then the jacket team, the Spiders, then had the ball on the twenty-five-yard line.

Poff and Wicker made six yards on

WASHINGTON AND LEE FOOTBALL TEAM

BASKETBALL SEASON NEXT

FEDERATION COMMITTEE IS THROUGH WITH ITS TASK

ADOPTS PLAYING RULES AND ARRANGES SCHEDULES FOR FOOT LEAGUES UNDER ITS CONTROL

Frank H. Rowe, chairman of the committee appointed by the Richmond Amateur Athletic Federation, to arrange leagues and schedules for the local basketball season, has completed his task and forwarded the recommendations of the committee to the federation officials.

The recommendations follow: We recommend that the rules as adopted by a rules committee representing the Amateur Athletic Association, National Collegiate Athletic Association, and the Amateur Athletic Union, be adopted, with the exception of rule 5, section 2, and that that section be amended to read "a player may leave the game during the first half of the game and re-enter the game in the second half but a player may not be taken out during the first half and allowed to re-enter during the second half, nor may he be taken out during the second half and allowed to play later in the second half."

That every organization be required to pay their dues in advance to the association. That the first National Basketball League be organized in 1916, and every club must register all men who are to play with them on or before Friday, December 3, 1915, and that no man who is not registered be allowed to play and be registered.

No player to compete with his team in any post-season, championship, or tournament, unless he has been registered on or before December 15, 1915, and has played in, at least, a part of two league games.

The leagues to all start on Friday, December 3, 1915, and close on Saturday, January 22, 1916.

That a small admission fee be charged for games.

Schedules of the teams playing in the basketball leagues under the Richmond Amateur Athletic Federation, season 1915-16:

SCHEDULES OF TEAMS

IN ARMY-NAVY GAME

Army Positions Navy

Redfield, left end, Von Heimburg, right end, left tackle, Holman, Ward, left guard, left guard, Kercher, McEwan, center, Scott, Wicker, Meacham, right guard, Smith, Wicker, right tackle, Gilman, Newland, right end, Johnson, Gerhardt, quarter back, Craig, Ford, left half back, Davis, Oliphant, right half back, Westphal, Coffin, full back, Martin.

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Football Season Claims
Toll of Sixteen Lives

Fatalities Were Confined Chiefly to Eleven Without Real System of Physical Training.

CHICAGO, November 27.—Football claimed sixteen lives during the 1915 season, which came to an end today. Last year the total was one less. Not a single death was recorded in any game in which the players were known to be trained physically, as well as mentally, for the severe test.

In most cases those who lost their lives were members of high schools, semipro and amateur leagues, where there is little or no system of physical training. In the year's toll sixteen players were killed. Fifteen were killed in games in which they were known to be trained physically, as well as mentally, for the severe test.

One of these cases it was said that an unnecessary tackle killed the player.

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Friday, December 17—Barton Heights vs. McGill Union, at Howitzers.

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City League.

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Saturday, December 11—Merchants' National Bank vs. Y. M. C. A., at McGills.

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Friday, January 7—Merchants' National Bank vs. Y. M. H. A., at Howitzers.

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ARMY CENTIMETER

SINKS NAVY CRAFT

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per going, and the players of both teams kept their footing in a remarkable manner.

While the play was of the usual hard character that marks the annual meeting of the two service elevens, it was extremely clean throughout, and the feeling of feeling prevailed among the players.

The victory of the Soldiers today was the third consecutive one in as many years and put West Point in the lead in the series which began in 1890. Since that year twenty games have been played between the two academies, and the count stands to-night ten games to nine, in favor of the Cadets with one match—that of 1906, a tie. The line-up:

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